

Chief, Estimates Group

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Chief, EE/USSR Branch

Inter-Agency Committee on USSR Petroleum Position

1. Please issue the usual summons for an inter-agency committee to examine the USSR petroleum position with particular reference to:

- (a) Ability to produce light fractions.
- (b) Military requirements.
- (c) Non-military requirements.
- (d) Resultant importance of Middle East petroleum.

2. This request is based upon a request by the J.C.S. having particular reference to item (c) above, the solution of which will hinge upon an examination of items (a) and (b).

3. Invitations, in addition to the four I.A.C. agencies, should be issued to:

Army & Navy Petroleum Board (Attention: Lt. Col. Singer)

Additionally, the following should be unofficially invited to attend the committee meetings:

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4. Participating agencies should furnish names of their representatives to the Chairman, [REDACTED] ONE, EX-6115, extension 2497. The first meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, 7 September 1948.

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